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## e.letter

February 12, 2015

### President's Message

 Eagle Rock City Hall

#### Candidate Forum

Every four years we get a chance to choose who will represent Eagle Rock's interests (along with the rest of Council District 14) on the Los Angeles City Council. This year is one of those years. We have an upcoming election on Tuesday March 3rd and there are several candidates for Council

on the ballot. And, like any election, the candidates have diverse positions on different issues, sometimes making it difficult to choose which candidate to vote for. This issue is not unique to our council district. As the [Los Angeles Times recently noted](#), there is a dearth of candidate debates/forums throughout the city, with Council District 14 being one of the exceptions.

By the time this election is held, the voters of CD 14 (which stretches from downtown to Boyle Heights to Eagle Rock) will have had the opportunity to attend at least five candidate forums/debates. I believe that these type of events give voters the opportunity to hear (and possibly interact) with the candidates directly and to glean important information. TERA believes that

you should be given the opportunity to make a more informed decision and, to that end, I am glad to announce that we are sponsoring a candidate forum right here in Eagle Rock. The details:

Council District 14 Candidate Forum  
Wednesday, February 25, 2015, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Center for the Arts Eagle Rock  
2225 East Colorado Boulevard

Please save the date and plan on attending. It is a great opportunity to see how familiar the candidates are with the issues and challenges that are particular to our Eagle Rock community and how they plan to address them.

**Voting Resources and Information**

If you're like me, you occasionally misplace your sample ballot along with the information on where your polling place is. You can retrieve this information online at the [Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk website](#). At this site, simply enter and submit your address and you will be shown your polling place location and a link to a PDF of your sample ballot.

Also, keep in mind that from now until **Monday, March 2, 2015** voters may vote a vote-by-mail (VBM) ballot in person at:

Office of the City Clerk  
Piper Technical Center  
Public Counter - Elections  
555 Ramirez St., Space 300  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Then, starting **Monday, February 23, 2015 to Monday, March 2, 2015** voters may receive a VBM ballot in person at:

Office of the City Clerk  
City Hall  
Public Counter - Council and Public Services

200 N. Spring St., Room 395  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Voters who have already received their VBM ballot may vote it early in-person at either of these sites.

For more information on voting by mail or the upcoming election you can visit the City Clerk election's website at <http://clerk.lacity.org/elections> or call (213) 978-0444.

However you do it, please just get out and vote.

### **Walkability Survey**

Elizabeth Bogumil is a Master's student in Sociology at California State University Northridge. She is conducting a survey for a research project that examines the relationship between community walkability, attachment to place, sense of community and quality of life.

If you are over 18, and would like to participate [please go to her online survey](#). Your responses are anonymous and it takes about 10-15 minutes of your time.

### **Please Join TERA or Renew Your Membership**

Each month we include a brief blurb about renewing your membership. But it occurs to me that there are a number of people on our mailing list that are not necessarily TERA members. The question for you is, why don't you join TERA? I assume you value the information that we provide and/or the issues that we work on. To do that it takes financial resources. Most of the resources come from membership dues. For as little as \$25, [you can become a TERA member and support our cause](#) and [receive great membership benefits](#).

And for those of you who have not renewed your membership, why not? You know the work that we do and have supported us in the past. Why don't you do it now? If you have simply forgotten, [take a moment now to renew](#)

[that membership.](#)

If you want more information about TERA membership or want to receive a membership packet, please send an email to Marina Rimer, our membership coordinator at [membership@tera90041.org](mailto:membership@tera90041.org).



**Greg Merideth, President**



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Discounts are available for TERA Members at participating merchants (see list below.) Look for the TERA Membership Decals at merchant locations. Just show your active membership

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card. Click on <http://www.tera90041.org> to see the member benefits offered by each merchant. If you are a merchant and would like to participate in this program, which includes free advertising in the e.letter, please email us at [president@tera90041.org](mailto:president@tera90041.org).

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## Take Back the Boulevard Update

*by Robert Gotham, Chair*



### ***Take Bake the Boulevard***

#### **Phase II**

Take Back the Boulevard (TBTB) is researching and preparing the application to the Active Transportation Program (ATP). The ATP is a potential source of funding that could enable Phase II of the Take Back the Boulevard to become a reality.

In addition, we are awaiting notification regarding the success of TBTB submission to the Metro Call for projects (MCP). MCP is another potential source of funding for Phase II. We hope to have a response from MCP by the end of August, 2015.

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, the goals for Phase II of TBTB include the following:

- New medians between Eagle Rock Boulevard and Sierra Villa.
- Turn pockets in new and existing medians.
- Additional crosswalks and pedestrian refuge areas.
- Bump outs/curb extensions, especially in the areas of bus stops.
- Better pedestrian lighting.
- Enhanced bus stop amenities (furniture, shade, trash cans, etc.).
- "Way finding" signage that may include a "Welcome to Eagle Rock" monument.

Securing funding is the next step in making these goals a reality. Stay tuned as TBTB moves forward in efforts to optimize the c Periodic updates to the Initiative may be found at [TakeBacktheBlvd.org](http://TakeBacktheBlvd.org)

### **Land Use**

#### **Colorado Boulevard Specific Plan**



The proposed amendment to the



Colorado Boulevard Specific Plan to allow longer hours of business operation continues to progress. A brief recap: in November City Planning Department held a public hearing regarding the amendment of the

Specific Plan.

Subsequent to the hearing, the hearing officer issued a report recommending the elimination of the hours restrictions. The City Planning Commission was scheduled to hold a hearing on the recommendation report in December, 2014. However, that meeting was postponed to allow a review of the proposed amendment California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review prior to the hearing.

Last week, the City Planning Department released a Negative Declaration for the proposed amendment, meaning that it has been determined that the amendment will not cause the Specific Plan to have an significant changes in terms of environmental impact. The publication date for the Negative Declaration was February 5, 2015. From that date, there is a 30-day public comment period, and the public comment period ends on March 9, 2015.

The City Planning Department will accept emails and faxes dated on or before March 9, 2015, and/or mail that is postmarked on or before March 9, 2015.

The Case Numbers are:

**CPC-2014-3669-SP**

**ENV-2014-3699-ND**

You may reference them in your correspondence and send to:

**MAILING ADDRESS**

City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning  
Attention: HAYDEE URITA-LOPEZ  
200 N. Spring Street, Room 667  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

or by e-mail to:

EMAIL: [Haydee.Urita-Lopez@lacity.org](mailto:Haydee.Urita-Lopez@lacity.org)

Around Town

**WOMEN's TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB OF EAGLE ROCK  
CLUBHOUSE TURNS 100 this FEBRUARY**

The founding ladies received the keys to the newly built clubhouse in February of 1915, located at the corner of Hermosa and Colorado Blvd. To honor them and move toward the future, the board and members are throwing a big party. It's a fundraiser to help with the restoration and that goes with preserving a 100 year old structure. Generations of community members have utilized the clubhouse hosting their most special events. Many elected officials and community groups hold their public meetings at the Clubhouse. Thousands of people continue to enjoy the clubhouse each year.

A SPEAKEASY themed Gala on **Saturday, February 28, 2015, 6pm-10pm**

*Live Music for Dancing provided by the Erik Ekstrand Band.*

*Hors d'oeuvres by **Four Café**. No Host Bar by Colombo's*

*Raffle Prizes*

*Roaring 20's or Cocktail attire.*

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.wtcc-er.org](http://www.wtcc-er.org), admission held at the door

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